

The Watchman and Southron.

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Our county and city officials should read the communication published to-day entitled "Thoughts on Gambling" and signed "A Woman." The facts are clearly and forcibly stated, and the entire article is so full of earnestness and sincerity that it should move the officials, whose duty it is to take cognizance of such evils, to make some effort to enforce the law against gambling and gambling resorts.

Mr. Bryan is side-stepping the government ownership proposition, and the railroad magnates can now get back on the job of watering their stock.

Col. Cosgrove would be able to make even greater progress with his drainage work in Charleston's "hinterland" if all of Charleston's blind tigers were given chain-gang sentences in lieu of nominal fines. This is merely a suggestion thrown out for the benefit of the News and Courier. It might amplify the idea in its fight against the blind tigers.

The fear of the enactment of a State prohibition law has awakened some Charleston people to a realizing sense of the gravity of that community's offense in brazenly violating the State law against the sale of liquor by individuals. The News and Courier is at last sounding a warning and calling upon the blind tigers to mend their ways. They are told in plain terms that they are sowing the wind and will surely reap the whirlwind. We greatly fear that the warning comes too late—the Charleston blind tigers have become so accustomed to violating the dispensary law with impunity and to defying the State authorities, under the protection of the public sentiment of the community, that they have lost respect for law and the appeal of the News and Courier will pass unheeded. The blind tiger element has been educated in lawlessness for too many years for it to become law abiding and law respecting all at once. The people of Charleston themselves are to blame for this condition of affairs, since they have, so far as the balance of the State knows, never done other than countenance and tacitly encourage the blind tigers in their profitable avocation of wantonly defying and nullifying the State law.

The bad effects of the continued and excessive use of nitrate of soda as a crop stimulant is beginning to attract the attention of observant farmers and some of them are sounding a warning against the practice. They assert that nitrate of soda is almost altogether a stimulant and has the effect of forcing the crop, to which it is applied, to draw more heavily on the soil for other vegetation producing elements than it would be able to do otherwise, and that unless these elements are returned to the soil in the shape of other fertilizers the soil will rapidly become impoverished and in a comparatively short time will not be able to produce a profitable yield, even with an increased application of the nitrate of soda stimulant. It is not denied that soda is a valuable and useful crop producing agent, when properly and intelligently utilized, but the trouble is that it is not intelligently used by many who stake their faith on it. The soil of this section cannot be made to produce large yields year after year unless the elements that are drawn from the soil by successive crops are replaced, and when the growing crops are stimulated year after year to make abnormal demands on the available vegetation producing soil constituents, abnormal soil depletion follows. This is the theory of those who condemn the continued use of nitrate of soda, without adequate application of other fertilizers, and they claim that experience has proven the theory to be well founded. Whether has, in effect, done so already, the only escape for the disgruntled mem-

bers of the league is to suit the game without a good excuse. The final bout in the contest has been postponed until Saturday and the quitters will have to show their hands. It will be up to them to play out the schedule as originally agreed or jump the game and break up the league. Sumter and Orangeburg, while fighting each other to a finish for the pennant are standing together to defeat the effort to freeze them out.

The theory be fully correct or not is one of the problems that will be investigated and solved by the experts of the agricultural department, who will have charge of the experimental farms to be conducted in this county by the bureau of soil utilization.

The baseball situation is quite interesting just at present, and the attempt to work a freeze-out game on Sumter and Orangeburg by one or two of the up-country towns holding franchises in the State league does not now appear likely to succeed. Sumter and Orangeburg are standing pat, and since Florence is ready to take over Darlington's franchise and

Major Hemphill for Senator.

Three men are recognized leaders beyond others in the press of the Louisville Courier-Journal, Clark Howell of the Atlanta Constitution, and James C. Hemphill of the Charleston News and Courier. Col. Watter-son has never held political office, but has rather declined all propositions involving public station. Mr. Howell has been long among the leading politicians and statesmen of Georgia both as editor of the newspaper first made famous by the unrivaled brilliancy of the late Henry Grady and as member of the Legislature and presiding officer in turn in both branches of that body, and also as lieutenant governor.

Major Hemphill has followed until this time the example of Col. Watter-son in abstaining from political office, but his friends have taken the business in their own hands and are making great progress in a campaign in his behalf for the seat in the United States Senate now held by Senator Latimer, whose term expires with the present Congress in 1909. Of his eminent fitness for the great office there is no room for doubt. His work for twenty years as the directing mind and chief editorial writer of the News and Courier has been of so admirable a character in breadth of view, soundness of argument from his premises, and energy of statement, as to have made him the most influential man in his State for the welfare of South Carolina.

Major Hemphill has nature's gift of a superb personal presence and that rare finish of manner which has been characteristic for generations of the finest type of the southern gentleman. He has added to the collegiate training of his youth the further advantages of continual contact with public men and close acquaintance with public affairs. He has acquired the wisdom of years while his eye is not dimmed nor his natural force abated. He will not resort to the pitchfork as a weapon of offense against the president to the lasting injury of the State and her loss of influence which really belongs to her though represented by a senator opposed in politics to the national executive.

Most of the public business is done with small regard for political points. Reasonable men in the senate can do well for their States though not of the majority on party questions. If Major Hemphill is elected he will fill the position so ably and yet with such urbanity of temper and manner as to repeat the proud days of the Palmetto State and regain for it that degree of respect and power which the old commonwealth has justly enjoyed for generations.—Buffalo, N. Y., Evening News.

Resolutions of Respect.

At its annual meeting in Anderson, S. C., July 16th, 1907, the South Carolina State Fireman's Association adopted the following preamble and resolutions.

Whereas our beloved associate, Wm. S. Graham, of Sumter, lost his life while heroically striving to save property from destruction by fire on last February 22d, in that city, be it, therefore, resolved:

1st. That in the death of Mr. Graham we have lost a valuable and enthusiastic member, whose fearless devotion to perilous duty should be an inspiration to all firemen in their hazardous work for the public good, as they risk their lives to save the lives and property of their fellow men.

2d. That we tender our sincere sympathy to the grief-stricken family, as they mourn the untimely death of our brave brother and direct that a copy of these resolutions be sent to them.

3d. That these resolutions be spread upon our Minutes and printed in the Sumter papers.

J. W. Earhardt,
E. S. Kennedy,
T. W. Halsall.

Committee.

Wm. E. Corey, the president of the steel trust, and his actress wife have returned to New York. Corey announced that he had no intention of resigning the presidency of the United States steel corporation, and that his wife would not return to the stage.

Sale of Unclaimed and Refused Freight
By the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company.

Sumter, South Carolina, July 24, 1907.

By authority of F. C. A., I will offer for sale on August 26, at 10 A. M., 1907, the following refused and unclaimed freight.
No guarantee as to quality and condition.

J. A. Huske, R. A.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE R. R.

1	Lake City	1 c. Overall	J. P. Martins
2	Eastover	3 Brooders	No Mark
3	Walterboro	1 Bun S Pipe	J. Jacobs
4	Walterboro	1 Mt. Barrel	No Mark
5	Lake City	2 Bbl. oil	J. F. Preach
6	"	1 bx. Drugs	C. C. Driggers
7	"	1 bx. D. goods	G. W. Eddy
8	"	1 bx. Notions	No Mark
9	"	2 bbl. G. Ware	L. A. Eddy
10	Walterboro	1 crate Marble	W. F. Barfield
11	"	1 Bbl Mt. Bot.	No Mark
12	"	1 Cr. Mt. Bot.	W. C. Brandt
13	"	1 C. Store short	No Mark
14	"	1 Bun Pots, etc	No Mark
15	"	1 bun Griddle	No Mark
16	"	and Spiders	H. W. Black
17	"	1 Box Glass	L. W. Segars
18	"	1 Bun Irons	No Mark
19	"	9 Bun C. Ties	No Mark
20	"	1 Cot. Planter	No Mark
21	"	4 Jugs crated	No Mark
22	"	1 c. Jones Car Co.	No Mark
23	"	3 Bxs Marble	E. Mims
24	Lake City	1 Mt. Egg Cr	F. D. Lenester
25	Pinewood	1 Lawn Swing	No Mark
26	"	1 baby swg att	No Mark
27	"	1 Wash Mach	No Mark
28	"	1 Wringer	No Mark
29	Walterboro	1 Bun Wheels	E. B. Furman
30	Elliot	2 bx Med.	No Mark
31	"	4 pc Castings	No Mark
32	"	1 Mt. Barrel	J. M. Benton
33	Lake City	1 Cr. T. Ware	Carter & Harris
34	Elliot	1 Cr. Marble	W. C. Gaskins
35	"	1 TO E Ware	Carter & Harris
36	"	3 Kegs Cider	J. J. Parnell
37	Eastover	5 c Tonic	J. H. Skinner
38	Marion	1 Tub Lard	No Mark
39	"	1 c. Caps	D. Schwartzman
40	"	2 bx Books	Scott Thomson
41	"	1 c. Books	R. L. Phillips
42	"	1 Mt. Barrel	L. W. Oliver
43	Eastover	1 Bx. Curtain	No Mark
44	"	1 Bbl. Crockery	Clarkson Bros.
45	Dumbarton	1 Bx. Salt	No Mark
46	"	1 c. Milk	No Mark
47	"	3 Bx. Meal	C. M. Adams
48	Darlington	3 Tubs Candy	M. J. R.
49	Elliot	2 Bun Sash	G. S. Anderson
50	"	2 TC E Ware	Carter & Harris
51	"	1 TC E Ware	Carter & Harris
52	"	1 TC G Ware	No Mark
53	"	1 Hay Press	No Mark
54	"	1 bun Hay Wire	J. D. P.
55	Walterboro	1 Roll R Paper	No Mark
56	"	1 C Red C Med	No Mark
57	"	1 Bbl Flour	No Mark
58	Entawville	1 c. Axle Grse	No Mark
59	"	3 bun & chairs	H. Fair
60	"	1 Bbl Ale	C. Edwards
61	"	1 Bag Peanuts	C. W. Edwards
62	Darlington	1 Chair b o	No Mark
63	Eastover	1 Trunk	No Mark
64	"	1 Mattress	Jake Draw
65	Walterboro	1 Bale Belt	No Mark
66	Eastover	1 Bx Glass	No Mark
67	"	2 PC C Rock	P. R. Webber
68	Marion	2 c Dry Goods	D. Schwartzman
69	Ola	2 Bx Slats	B. Evans
70	Walterboro	4 b. Plow Bns	No Mark
71	Johns Island	4 bun Buckets	Smith Nov Co.
72	Walterboro	1 Crate	C. M. & M. C.
73	Florence	12 b safe ends	No Mark
74	"	1 bun Drawers	No Mark
75	"	1 box Tob'co	No Mark
76	Darlington	1 box Adv.	No Mark
77	Marion	Bx H H Goods	W. Hadley
78	Johns Island	1 keg Phosp	No Mark
79	Coward	1 H G Wagon	No Mark
80	"	1 Wheel	A. G. Sewart
81	Walterboro	1 c. Extracts	No Mark
82	Williams	1 Bx. Medc.	F. R. Green
83	Florence	2 Cr. Coffin	No Mark
84	"	Metal	No Mark
85	Walterboro	3 Pk. U. Bisc't	L. Jamison
86	"	1 Bx. Glass	B. F. Halford
87	"	1 Keg Cider	No Mark
88	Cowards	1 bx Samples	M. T. Evans
89	Johns Island	1 bx Paint	No Mark
90	"	1 BC Glass	No Mark
91	"	1 Cr. Table	No Mark
92	"	1 bun Legs	F. M. C. & Co.
93	"	1 box Stone	H. B. Seabrook
94	Walterboro	3 kg C Seed	B. H. Padgett
95	Eastover	1 bx C G Ware	Mrs J R Rhodes
96	Johns Island	1 bun 2 b ends	No Mark
97	"	1 bun rls. slats	No Mark
98	"	1 bun 2 chairs	No Mark
99	"	1 bun 3 chairs	No Mark
100	"	1 bun H H Gds	No Mark
101	Darlington	2 keg Cider	No Mark
102	"	1 Pa Attached	P. J. R.
103	Lamar	1 Stove	No Mark
104	"	2 crt Stove	No Mark
105	"	4 bun Fixtures	No Mark
106	Ferguson	1 Range	W. O. Stone
107	Darlington	1 Spring	No Mark
108	Johns Island	1 bun 2 bd bds	No Mark
109	"	1 bd rls & slats	No Mark
110	"	1 bun 2 chairs	M. White
111	Pinewood	1 peanut rostr	No Mark
112	"	1 Buggy Body	No Mark
113	"	2 Wheels	No Mark
114	"	1 pr Shafts	No Mark
115	"	1 Safe	No Mark
116	"	1 bun W Paper	No Mark

81	Holly Hill	1 bun Bagn	No Mark
82	"	1 bun Lies	Luke Bradley
83	Marion	1 bed Spring	C. Alexander
84	Lake City	2 crts Marble	E. L. Thigpen
85	Florence	1 show case	No Mark
86	Ridgeland	1 bbl G Ware	No Mark
87	Lamar	1 Cr. S. Mash	No Mark
88	Walterboro	1 Cr. Signs	No Mark
89	"	1 Bx. Tacks	No Mark
90	"	1 bun signs	E. H. Gains
91	"	1 S. Machine	Ellia Young
92	Lamar	1 Keg Cider	No Mark
93	Marion	1 Bx. Samples	No Mark
94	"	1-2 Bbl. Paint	No Mark
95	Barnwell	1 Keg Paint	F. W. Williams
96	"	2 Bx. Crts.	No Mark
97	Marion	1 Bl. Bg. & T.	No Mark
98	Hartsville	1 Cultivator	W. C. Watson
99	"	1 c. Tomas	No Mark
100	"	1 Bp. Meat	No Mark
101	"	1 c. Apples	No Mark
102	"	1 Show case	No Mark
103	Barnwell	1 Planter Box	No Mark
104	Kingstree	1 Bun Boards	No Mark
105	Walterboro	1 W Mach	No Mark
106	"	1 Bun Tin	No Mark
107	Marion	1 Bx. Tinware	J. B. Jacobs
108	Holly Hill	1 Bun W Paper	F. W. Wise
109	Barnwell	2 Bun W Paper	No Mark
110	Eastover	1 Sx. Oats	No Mark
111	Walterboro	1 Bun Stands	No Mark
112	Barnwell	17 cad tobacco	G. & W.
113	Orangeburg	1 Bx. C. Goods	No Mark
114	Walterboro	1 Bbl Oil	No Mark
115	Ferguson	1 G. Dorch	C. Bellinger
116	"	2 Kegs Bounce	No Mark
117	Marion	1 Bx. Fanest	No Mark
118	Marion	1 ex. Shoes	W. W. Davis
119	"	1 Pa. 2 Bx. Tob.	No Mark
120	"	1 Pa. 10 cad. St	Joe Turner
121	Johns Island	1 Key Nail	No Mark
122	Barnwell	7 Bx. Candy	No Mark
123	"	1 Bx. Candy	No Mark
124	Marion	1 Bx. D. Goods	H. Johnson
125	Marion	1 Bbl Crockery	R. B. Price
126	Lake City	1 c. A. Grease	S. O. Co.
127	"	1 Ex. Soap	No Mark
128	Walterboro	2 Bx. Notions	No Mark
129	"	1 Bx. Pat. Med.	J. M. Kline
130	"	2 Bx. I. Staples	No Mark
131	"	1 K. Iron Staples	E. H. Pudwaler
132	Darlington	4 c. Milk	W. F. Hill
133	"	3 Bx. Tobacco	No Mark
134	"	1 Pk. 3 Cad. Tob	No Mark
135	Walterboro	2 Bx. Ink. 1 C Ink	J. S. Jamison
136	Marion	1 Bx. Drugs	R. L. Stagle
137	Entawville	1 Bg. Rice	No Mark
138	"	1 Bg. Meat	No Mark
139	"	1 Cotton Planter	No Mark
140	"	4 Bx. D. sinfectants	No Mark
141	Columbia	6 Bbl. Cider	No Mark
142	Darlington	1 B. B. Fittings	J. N. F. Langston
143	"	1 Bx P F am s	No Mark
144	Walterboro	1 Bx P Frames	No Mark
145	"	1 bun C Lard	E. W. Edwards
146	"	1 Tuo Lard	Agent
147	Coates	1 Show case	Bad Order
148	Lake City	1 c. Drugs	No Mark
149	Walterboro	1 Bx E Ware	M. C. G. Redway
150	Bishopville	1 c. Books	No Mark
151	Kingstree	6 bz e seed	J. B. Bee
152	Entawville	2 bbl Flour	No Mark
153	Pinewood	1 Bx I Rails	No Mark
154	"	1 Keg Cider	No Mark
155	"	1 Bx S. nips	No Mark
156	Kingstree	1 bun castings	S. B. Co.
157	J. Island	1 tub H G. Gds	No Mark
158	Walterboro	1 bun Bns	J. H. Pray & Co.
159	Sumter	10 bx Medc	No Mark
160	Darlington	1 bbl Notions	No Mark
161	"	1 bbl Crackers	No Mark
162	Sumter	1 bg Meat	No Mark
163	Walterboro	1 bx adv matter	B. H. Hawkins
164	Marion	1 bg Millet	W. H. Hedgepath
165	Sumter	2 tx C. ackers	No Mark
166	"	2 c Can'd Goods	No Mark
167	Marion	1 c Samples	J. L. Line
168	Bishopville	1 c can'd goods	No Mark
169	"	1 Keg Hdw	No Mark
170	"	1 bag B G Shoes	No Mark
171	"	1 Mt Gas Tube	No Mark
172	"	1 bx Stock Food	No Mark
173	"	1 Bx A B Coffee	No Mark
174	"	1 Bx S oe Polih	No Mark
175	"	1 bx D Goods	No Mark
176	Kingstree	1 bun bag & ties	No Mark
177	Holly Hill	1 Bag Coffee	No Mark
178	Elliot	1 keg Nails	C. M. D.
179	Orangeburg	1 bun molding	E. W. P.
180	"	1 crt Marble	McElwee
181	Marion	1 stand	No Mark
182	Ridgeland	1 bl sheets	No Mark
183	"	1 crt Marble	T. Johnson
184	Marion	1 Keg Cider	No Mark
185	Sumter	1 Bx Medicine	No Mark
186	"	2 keg s fls	No Mark
187	"	4 Boxes	No Mark
188	"	1 crt E Ware	J. Rollins
189	Kingstree	2 Bx S Food	No Mark
190	Sumter	1 Bx Cereal	No Mark
191	"	1 Bx H Goods	No Mark
192	"	2 bun Bed Ends	No Mark
193	"	1 Lot Chairs	No Mark
194	"	1 safe	No Mark
195	"	1 t plow h & bns	No Mark
196	"	1 Cotton Planer	No Mark
197	"	1 Lot Old Iron	No Mark
198	"	1 Keg N. lls	No Mark
199	"	1 Bag Peas	No Mark

165	"	1 Demijohn	No Mark
166	"	1 box crt	No Mark
167	"	6 Whse borrows	No Mark
168	"	1 Sideboard	No Mark
169	"	1 Crate Pot	J. Murray
170	"	1 Bx Toys	M. Littlejohn
171	"	1 Ex Books	V. Harley
172	"	2 Bun Tags	N. L. Mar in & Co
173	"	1 box W Iron	T. & N. E. Co.
174	"	1 Bx Bidding	Dave Starkes
175	"	1 bun Iron	Geo Douglas
176	"	1 Distributor	Sparks Mfg. Co.
177	"	1 c Catalogus	B. P. Cuttino
178	"	5 Bx Oil 2 short	B. Mfg. Co.
179	Pinewood	1 c. Iron	G. W. S.
180	Walterboro	1 Cr. Glass	No Mark